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E.O. 12356: N/A
TAGS: PBTS, PREL, VE, CO
SUBJECT: COLOMBIAN FOREIGN MINISTER AGAIN ADDRESSES
- BOUNDARY DISPUTE

REFS: A) BOGOTA 1427
- B) CARACAS 1530

ON FEBRUARY 14 COLOMBIAN FONMIN RAMIREZ OCAMPO CLOSED THE BILATERAL COMMERCIAL FORUM (SEPTTEL) IN BOGOTA BY CALLING FOR RENEWAL OF DISCUSSIONS OF THE COLOMBIAN-VENEZUELAN BOUNDARY DISPUTE. RAMIREZ SAID THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES SHOULD TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AN "ATMOSPHERE OF RAPPROCHEMENT" AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE. RAMIREZ WELCOMED THE RECENT REMARKS OF VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT LUSINCHI (REF B) AND FONMIN MORALES PAUL (REF A), WHICH, ACCORDING TO RAMIREZ, OFFER ALTERNATIVES CAPABLE OF GUARANTEEING A DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT FOR BOTH COUNTRIES. TULL

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